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# RICHMOND PLANTS LOOK FORWARD TO INDUSTRIAL BOOM

Manufacturers Freely Predict General Resumption of Normal Conditions.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK IS GOOD, SAYS SAMUEL MORGAN

Richmond Cedar Works, After Period of Curtailment, Runs Full Blast.

OPPORTUNITY FOR BUILDERS

Low Cost of Material Pointed Out by Walter L. Clack—New Industries Open.

to be the keynote of the local

manufactured in Elchmond, this city is not dependent on a single set of con-ditions, and while there are undoubtons, and while the connected with y hundreds of men connected with railroads and industries allied with m out of employment because of general curtailment, it is also true posed on State banks and trust composed on State banks and trust compose

PACTORIES KEEP THEIR
ORGANIZATION TOGETHER
There seems to be a general spirit
for the admission of State banks at
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for the admission of State banks at d time. This is particularly true Works, the Richmond Cedar Works and there are working full time, and with full force. The former plant is working the largest number of men it

ma employed in a decade. General trade conditions throughout is country were disturbed by the sud-en outbreak of hostilities in Europe. many instances the closing of the ock exchanges and the upheaval of biness dealings caused big concerns imediately to curtail their forces, and immediately to curtail their forces, and in some cases to close down. The resists of his orders from the warring nations has caused factories in many lines to resume on full time, and some are even working overtime. As the pendulum swings back, so has bustness, and the coming processities.

on the pay roll, he stated. Several months ago the plant was put on a four-day basis, in order to hold its employes together, but recent orders have made it practicable to resume full have made it practicable to resume full ports in November decreased 52 400.

Holding these views, Mr. Pollock wilson Line, and other vessels also lay

has developed recently that the company was forced to decline orders for shells from European governments on account of big contracts with the United States government, which will Urge Rattification of Pending Contracts with Colorador Contracts and Contract Contr keep the plant running for months to

"We have nearly 1,590 men em-ployed," stated an officer last night. As far as I can remember, this is the tion leaders plan to press for ratifilargest force of men we have had in cation at this session of Congress the the past ten years. There is no way pending treaty with Nicaragua, where-of telling how long this will continue, by the United States would obtain in-

LOCOMÓTIVE WORKS
PLANS LARGER OUTPUT

To counteract this cheering piece of news was the statement that the Amerinews was the statement that the American Locomotive Works, which sometimes employs as many as 3,500 men, was entirely closed. This condition, however, has occurred periodically, and as the plant has not been running at Presence of Large Gathering Apparentits normal capacity for several years, probably less than half of that numprobably less than half of that num-ber are out of employment on account

the war is the Export Leaf Tobacc Company. This factory was hard hit by the interruption of commerce with the warring nations, and hundreds of the closing was generally good. operatives, the majority either young girls or negroes, were thrown out of employment. Other tobacco factories, if the figures of the Internal Revenue Department can be used as an indica-tion, are turning out as much as they did last year, and presumably are work-ing at full capacity. Many of the op-

ing at tull capacity. Many of the operatives from the one idle plant have been taken on by the others.

Samuel T. Morgan, president of the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company, stated last night that all of the Virginia plants owned by his company are working steadily.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK IS GOOD.

SAYS SAMUEL T. MORGAN "General business conditions are good," said Mr. Morgan. "I find that the business men of the North as well as the South think the situation is improving. While not predicting anything, I am of the same opinion."

The local plants, S. Dabney Crenshaw.

secretary of the company, said, employ several hundred men. tienal at this senson of the year," he continued. 'I think business in this

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#### **GERMANS SINK BRITISHER**

teamer Churens Destroyed at Sea by Transport Prinz Eltel Friederich.

VALPARAISO, CHILE, December 7.

—The British steamer Charcas from New York, October 1, has been sunk at sea off Port Corral, Chile, by the German transport Prinz Eitel Friederich. The crew of the Charcas has been landed at Papubo, forty-five miles north of Valparaiso.

PROBABLY HAD DISCHARGED GREATER PART OF CARGO

NEW YORK, December 7.—The Charcas was in the service of the New York cas was in the service of the New York and Pacific Steamship Company.

W. R. Grace & Co., local agents of the line, said the ship carried no pas-sengers, and probably she had dis-charged the greater part of her cargo before meeting the Prinz Eitel Fried-erich.

The Charcas was built in Newcastle England, in 1996. She was 450 feet long and had a beam of fifty-two feet. Her gross register was 5,067 tons.

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#### SCHERER IS IMPROVING

May Be Able to Return to Richmond for Christmas.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
CLIFTON FORGE, VA., December 7.

L. Scherer, general claim agent of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway, is not only holding his own in the hospital here, where he is undergoing treat-Industrial conditions in Richmond Thursday, but is showing signs of improvement, to-day bringing the cities similarly situated, but a careful crisis, and the patient passing through survey of the local situation made yestorday shows that there is already a marked improvement here. Even in those lines which have suffered most there is general belief that conditions will be better after the first of the survey of the local situation made yestorday, shows that there is already a marked improvement here. Even in those lines which have suffered most there is general belief that conditions will be better after the first of the shortly thereoften. here is general belief that conditions his home in Richmond by Christmas, or will be better after the first of the shortly thereafter. The attending physew year. Conservative optimism scienas are satisfied that the chances for Mr. Scherer's recovery are excellent,

#### TERMS FOR STATE BANKS

Reserve Board to Name Conditions for

row at a conference between members of the Federal Reserve Board and

various times since the reserve bank were opened three weeks ago, but had reached no conclusion to-night. It is still in doubt as to the limitations to be put on real estate loans by such institutions. At the conference to-morrow this point will be discussed in some detail.

## FOR RIGHTS AT CAPE HENRY

change With Norfolk-Southern

WASHINGTON, December 7 .- Per WASHINGTON, December 7.—Perpetual right of way to the NorfolkSouthern Railroad through lands to be
acquired for fortification purposes at
Cape Henry, Va., in exchange for all
of the company's lands lying within
the area to be taken over for the forlification, would be authorized by the
War Department under official estimates submitted to Compress landsy. condulum swings back, so has bust- mates submitted to Congress to-day, and the coming prosperity is be- Authority for the grant would i

vention With Colombia.

WASHINGTON, December 7.—Chair-man Stone, of the Senate Foreign Rela-tions Committee, and other administrabut the outlook for the future is teroceanic canal route rights and bright. Our railroad department has naval bases in the Bay of Fonseca for suffered, but other departments have \$3,000,000. They also propose to urge made up the deficiency." lembia \$25,000,000 for the partition of

Opposition to both treatles, which prevented consideration at the last ses-

ly Is Out of Curiosity PARIS, December 7 (1:06 P. M.) .ber are out of employment on account of its idleness. The company, on the other hand, has recently expended \$76, to there hand, has recently expended \$76, to the hand When the Paris Bourse opened to-day after being closed since September 3, a large gathering of brokers and the were effected in the course of conver-

The market opened hesitating, and

## FROZEN EGGS FROM CHINA

Steamer Arrives in New York With 63,238 Cases.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
NEW YORK, December 7.—The steamship Brodmount which arrived today from Hankow, China, by way of the Panama Canal, brought 62,223 cases of frozen eggs, the first shipment of eggs from China ever brought into this port. The eggs, which were removed

## DEATH OF DANIEL BENDANN

Famous Old-Time Photographer Was Born in Richmond.

BALTIMORE, December 7.—Daniel Bendann, well known in art circles and a famous old-time photographer, died here last night of infirmities incident to old age. He was born in Richmond seventy-nine years ago.

# EXPEND \$125,000 IN PUBLIC WORK

nance Designed to Help City's Unemployed.

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD GIVEN WIDE LATITUDE

Wage and Employ Any Number.

Tentative Plan Provides \$41,000 Ex- Coney Island Suffers Damages Es penditure for Material and Equipment.

Recognizing a grave crisis in local industrial conditions, said to be due to an unparalleled scarcity of work.

offered by Councilman Gilbert K. Pollock as a substitute for the ordinance introduced by Councilman Carter C. Jones and reported in an amended form by the Finance Committee. It was accepted by Councilman Jones, and was adopted after a running debate that lasted more than an hour.

In the ordinance reported by the Finance Committee the \$125,000 was parceled out to the saves december than an parceled out to the saves december than the part of the part

nance Committee the \$125,000 was parceled out to the reven departments in definite sums, as follows: streets generally, \$30,000; grounds and parks, \$20,000; treet cleaning, \$30,000; Water Worke, \$10,000; Gas Works, \$10,000; the loss within the past twenty-four cometeries, \$15,000, and electric plant, hours is estimated at \$200,000.

objection to the ordinance because it undertook to dictate to the Administrative Board the amount that shall be spent in each department. Such a proceeding, he held, was, on its face impracticable and would hamper the board in giving early employment to the largest number. The board, he said, should be left free to spend the money where it was most needed, and where it could be sent to the best of the standard of the standard of the Brighton Beach Hotel and wrecked several small buildings, although the hotel itself escaped serious damage. where it could be spent to the best ad- serious damage.

have made it practicable to resume full time.

"I do not know how long this will last," said Mr. Parrish last night, "but at present we are working full blast. Our whole force is putting in a six-day week."

For a representative of the Tredegar Iron Works was received the instance of the Tredegar Iron Works was received the instance of the Tredegar Iron Works was received the instance of the Tredegar Iron Works was received the instance of the Tredegar Iron Works was received the instance of the Tredegar Iron Works was received the instance of the Tredegar Iron Works was received the instance of the Tredegar Iron Works was received the instance of the Tredegar Iron Works was received the instance of the Tredegar Iron Works was received the instance of the Iron Iron America, and a decrease in Egyptian cotton of \$10,000,000. All to the credit of an account to be known as the "Special Improvement Account," to be expended by the Administrative Board in public improvements upon vouchers issued by the several depart.

to accept the substitute, asking instead that the Council pass the original ordinance introduced by him, which provided for the employment of at least 700 men at \$2 a day. The Pollock substitute, he feared, might leave the way open for cheap contract labor and defeat the intention to give employment to day laborers at a reasonable wage.

In order to meet this objection Mr.
Pollock added a provision to his substitute, directing that all work under the special appropriation be done by per diem employes. With this amendment Councilman Jones accounted the

WAS BASED ON REPORT FROM ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD The Finance Committee's ordinance apportioning the appropriation among the several departments, was based on a report made to the committee yester-day afternoon by the Administrative Board, in which a tentative apportionment was described. The division, however, was made by the board mere-ly to indicate the probable manner in which money would be spent, the report recommending specifically that the appropriation be made in a lump sum. In its report to the Finance Committee the board drew attention to the fact that approximately one-third of the \$125,000 appropriation would have to be expended for tools, equipment and materials. It was estimated that even with this expenditure for materials and equipment, the balance remaining would make possible the employment

eggs from China ever brought into this port. The eggs, which were removed from their shells before being frozen, will be placed in a bonded warehouse for the present. Their ultimate destination is believed to be the war zone of Europe.

The panier pendamn the original ordinance. It asked leave to be allowed to employ men from time to time, as needed. With large additions to the laboring army, it was necessary also, it was pointed out, to employ at least a limited number of skilled men as supervisors, and for work demanding skilled service. Under the smended measure that was passed, the amended measure that was passed, no definite wage is fixed, and the board will have the power to employ any class of labor at any rate of com-pensation that it deems equitable.

BOARD OUTLINES
PLAN OF EXPENDITURE The following sections from the re-(Continued on Becond Page.)

# IN HOWLING GALE

Lower Branch Passes Ordi- Summer Resorts Destroyed. **Boats Wrecked and Many** Villages Flooded.

> RECORD-BREAKING TIDE IS DRIVEN IN BY WIND

> of Scores of Small

ALL DEPARTMENTS BENEFIT STEAMERS CAN'T MAKE PORT

timated at \$200,000-Storm's Fury Continues.

seas, backed by a mighty tide and a New York coasts to-day, smashing houses, wrecking boats, flooding villages, devastating summer resorts and forcing steamers to remain outside Sandy Hook and fight the storm

At Sandy Hook, the wind attained a velocity of sixty-eight miles an hour, driving in a record-breaking tide and making it impossible for pilots to board incoming vessels. In New York har-bor the tide was the highest in thirteen years, and the waves drove New Jersey ferry boats to cover and strewed the Staten Island shores with the wrecks of scores of small craft.

Two or three fine houses at Sea Gate POLLOCK OPPOSES

DICTATION TO BOARD

Councilman Pollock entered vigorous objection to the ordinance because it undertook to dictate to the Administrative Board the amount that shall be been damaged to-night, including bothing pavilions and summer cottoner.

Mr. Pollock objected also to the pro-vision of the ordinance limiting the wage to be paid to \$2 a day. It would burgalows, baths and boardwalks. At ing-felt here already. The expression of hope is felt in every line of industry.

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T. Kirkpatrick Parrish, secretary of the Running Full time, with approximately a full time, with approximately a full time, with approximately a full force of employes. There are between 900 and 1,000 operatives on the pay roll, he stated. Several months ago the plant was put on a four-day, basis, in order-to-hold its

walk through an inch of water. At the substitute, asking instead

One fireboat was sunk at her pier. On the New Jersey shore the big waiting-room of the Lackawanna terminal was flooded, and hearly all ferries discon-

per diem employes. With this amend-ment Councilman Jones accepted the substitute, and it was put to a vote substitute, and it was put to a vote struck Tuckernuck Shoal on Saturday. substitute, and it was put to a vote and unanimously passed. The measure will come up for concurrence at the meeting of the Board of Aldermen next Tuesday night.

struck Tuckernuck Shoal on Saturday, have been unable to launch their boats. At the Eric Railroad terminal, in Jersey City, the waters of the Hudson Swept through ferry-house and out to the railread tracks.

NORTHEASTER CONTINUES WITH FURY UNABATED

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PHILADELPHIA, December 7.—The northeast storm, sweeping the Atlantic Coast since Saturday, continued tonight with unabated fury. Nearly three and a half inches of rain had fallen in Philadelphia at midnight. Reports from Atlantic City, Ocean City, Wildwood, Cape May, Réhoboth and other seaside points told of heavy damage by wind and tide.

Several fashionable suburban sections were dark to-night. Ocean City.

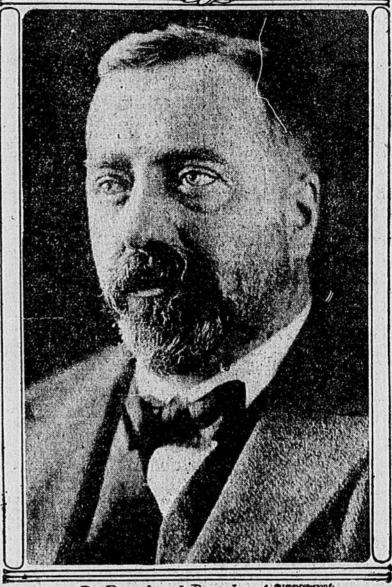
several tasmonable suburban sections were dark to-night. Ocean City, N. J., has been cut off from train and trolley communication, although an automobile bridge is still open. Railroads leading to seashore points were busy repairing washed out roadbeds. Telegraph and telephone service to all points was crippled. Shipping from this port was virtually

at a standstill. Among the few ves-sels which cleared was the Italian liner Ancong for Naples, via New York. Inner Ancong for Naples, via New York.
Of the 1,500 steerage passengers, nearly 1,400 were men between eighteen and forty-five years of ago, reported to be reservists returning to Italy.
Scores of vessels of every description were lying to-night in the sholter of the Delaware breakwater waitingfor the weather to moderate.

SEASHORE RESORT

PRACTICALLY DESTROYED REHOBOTH, DEL., December 7.-The northeast storm has almost de-The northeast storm has almost de-stroyed this seashore resort. The boardwalk was carried away with all pavillons. Every trace of Surf Ave-nue, a thoroughfare that paralleled the ocean, is gone. It was cut away by mountainous waves that swept over piling built to protect it. The electric

RUSSIANS IN RETREAT SAYS BERLIN REPORT



Dr. Bernhard Dernberg Mannes

Dr Dernburg, who is in this country on an important mission for Ger many. Is a son of the editor of the Berlin Tageblatt, and was born in Darm-stadt iffty years ago. After graduating from the Berlin Gymnasium (as colleges are called in Germany) he came to New York City in order to learn American ways, and was for several years in the banking house of Ladenburg 'Ihalman & Co. After his return to Germany he became a director of the Bank of Darmstadt. He stands for what Americans most admire in inodern Germany: its industries, its commerce, its technical schools and its efficient organizations. When the Kalser put him at the head of the Colonial Office in 1907 it was a great shock to the "Junkers," who thought the such a high position was the natural monopoly of those of hobie lineage. He made personal inspection of the African possessions and probably would have made them in time as profitable as the British colonial that have made them in time as profitable as the British colonies if he had been able to carry out his program of reforms.

## CONGRESS RECONVENES AFTER ITS FALL RECESS

Opening Sessions, Both in Senate and Several Bills and Resolutions Bear-House, Marked With Spirit of Good Nature.

WILSON READS MESSAGE TO-DAY WILSON AGAINST GARDNER PLAN

Underwood, Majority Leaders, Confer With President Over Legislation He Desires to Be Considered

WASHINGTON, December 7 .-- Congress reconvened to-day, after the fall recess. After the introduction of bills Congress. Several bills and resolu-

Senator Kern and Representative Unsidered, in addition to appropriation measures, which will take up much of the time of the short session.

bers of the House and three citi be appointed by the President.

President Wilson let it be after his conference with Representations.

UNDERWOOD IN ACCORD

WITH PRESIDENT'S VIEWS "There is nothing the President has in mind," said Representative Underwood, "with which I am not in accord, and I see no reason why the program he will suggest should not be carried 6.2. before adjournment. If there is one thing that every Democratic member of the House—and I believe it applies to the Senate as well—has his mind set against, it is extra session next year. I do not believe there will be any."

"Into PAST EXPENDITURES wind, with this attitude. Senator James Hamilton Lewis, Democratic whip, introduced a resolution which

mind set against, it is extra session next year. I do not believe there will be any."

Jiscussing the legislative program, Mr. Underwood declared that there would be a vote on the Hobson resoful ton for submission to the States of a constitutional amendment for national prohibition.

According to both majority leaders, appropriation bills will be rushed. Conservation legislation, the ship purchase bill and the House Philippine independence bill are first on the program of general legislation Senator Kern asserted that there would be time for general legislation, concerning which there would be not much opposition.

CLARK GIVEN OVÁTON

BY MEN OF BOTH PARTIES

The opening sessions in House and Senato were marked with a spirit of good nature, despite the recent campaign which resulted in great Republicans. Profession of the first March 4 were on hand. Speaker Clark was given a rousing ovation by a pomoratic gains in the House and slight.

Democrate gains in the Senate for the next Congress. Members who will refer March 4 were on hand. Speaker Clark was given a rousing ovation by pomorate and after the invocation permitted Senators to hold an informal recognition for several minutes before he (Continued on Third Page.)

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The deficiency of the first the moral defense to the committee of the mean of the first the moral defense to consist of the Senate and House, the chief of staff of the army and navy and heads of the process is being followed and the past for the proper state to the committee of the first was given a rousing ovation by a pomorate that the proper state of the proper state

# PREPAREDNESS FOR WAR DESTINED FOR INQUIRY

ing on Subject Introduced in

Senate and House.

Senator Kern and Representative Thinks it Unwise Way of Handling Question Which Might Create Unfavorable International Impressions-White House Statement.

WASHINGTON, December 7 -- Pre recess. After the introduction of bills and resolutions and passage of formal measures incident to the opening of a new session, both houses adjourned to await the delivery to-morrow of the President's annual message.

While members discussed informally the legislative program, no definite plans were made for party couferences. These will not be considered until the President has been heard from. The message will be delivered personally by President Wilson before a joint session in the House chamber at 12:30 o'clock.

Congress. Several bills and resolutions' bearing on the subject were introduced to-day, and an inquiry by congressional committees is regarded at the Capitol as certain, although President Wilson told Representative Gardner during the day that he opposed the latter's plan for an investigation by a national security commission. The President expressed the opinion that this would be an unwise way of handling "a question which might create very unfavorable international impressions."

Senator Lodge introduced a resolution similar to the Gardner derwood, the majority toor leaders, conferred to-night with the President it the White House. Mr. Wilson sent for them, and met them separately, commission," to be composed of three members of the Senate, three members of the Senate, three members of the House and three citizens to

President Wilson let it be known after his conference with Representa-tive Gardner that he was entirely in favor of the fullest inquiry into mill-

INTO PAST EXPENDITURES

In line with this attitude, Senator James Hamilton Lewis, Democratic wings, were unable to send fresh men to stiffen their centre to meet the German wedge, and were compelled to fall back.

# **GERMAN SUCCESS** AT LODZ FOLLOWS **WONDERFUL RALLY**

Army Less Than Fortnight Ago Was Surrounded by Enemy.

ABLE TO CUT ITS WAY OUT

ONLY AT LAST MOMENT Muscovites Unable to Meet Fierce Attacks and Forced to

Fall Back. ALLIES ON OFFENSIVE IN WEST

Take Advantage of Preoccupation of Kaiser's Forces in

#### Germans Renew Efforts to Reach Channel Ports

O OST DUNKERKE, a village in West Flunders, a little more than two miles west of Nicuport, has been hombarded by the Germans, which announcement in the latest Freuch official communication seems to indicate a renewal of German efforts to reach the channel norts.

Simultaneously, there has been heavy firing along the Belgian coast from the warships of the allies, which again are hombarding the German positions, and possibly may be attempting to check the supposed advance in the neighborhood.

The French also report advances by the allies in the Department of Somme, and the capture of the vil-lage of Vermelles, between Bethune and Lens. Unofficial dispatches say the Germans have utilized their light guns in place of the heavy ar-tility, because of the condition of the ground, owing to inundations.

In the eastern arena the occupa-tion of Lods by the Germans is con-sidered a remarkable achievement, in view of the manner in which the German lines only a short time ago were threatened by the Russians, and an important step in their proposed movement against Warsaw, the Polish capital.

The Austrian War Office describes fighting in Poland as not yet decisive, although the Russians have been forced to retreat. Likewise, in West Galicia and the Carpathinns, the series of engagements continues without definite result.

Having received a vote of con-fidence in the Parliament, the Italian government maintains its at titude of neutrality, but has dis-patched several battalions to rela-force troops in Libya and "to be ready for any aggressions."

The Bourse Gazette, of Petro grad, estimates that Germany has lost 100,000 during the past month around Lods. That an effort is being made to

bring about a resumption of nor-mal conditions in Paris is indicated by the fact that President Poincare will return to the capital from Bordeaux to preside at the Cabinet meeting Friday, and that the Paris bourse has respend. Pope Benedict is endeavoring to effect a truce between the bellig-erents during the Christmas holf-

LONDON, December 7 (9:25 P. M.).—After a long battle, fought with the greatest stubhornness, the Germans have succeeded in occupying Lodz, Pohave succeeded in occupying Lodz, Polland, an unfortified city. According to the Berlin report, the Russians suffered severe losses, and are in retreat.

This success of the Germans, largely because of what preceded it, is considered a remarkable achievement. Less than a fortnight ago, the army to which this victory has fallen was surrounded by Russians, and cut its way out only at the last moment, losing great numbers of men and many guns. Yet it was able quickly to reguns. Yet it was able quickly to re-organize, take the offensive and defeat the Russians defending Lodz. This was made possible by the network, of strategic railways on the German side of the frontier, over which reinforce-ments can be sent where they are most needed. The Russians, on the other hand, vigorously attacked on both wings, were unable to send fresh men

long as the Germans are compelled to